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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK

In re Application of)
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M. SPECTOR et al.)
) Group Art Unit: 1647
Application No. 09/885,537)
) Examiner: Pamela G. Holbrook
Filed: June 21, 2001)

For: COLLAGEN TUBES FR NERVE REGENERATION

AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to an Office Action dated January 3, 2002, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Clean Copy of Amended Claims

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1. (Amended) A nerve regeneration tube formed of a single sheet of a resorbable sidewall material consisting essentially of collagen sheet material having a compact, smooth outer barrier surface so as to inhibit cell adhesion thereon and act as a barrier to prevent passage of cells therethrough, the sheet material further having a fibrous inner surface opposite the smooth barrier surface.

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2. (Amended) The tube of claim 1, wherein said sidewall material consists essentially of a mixture of Type III and Type I collagen.

3. (Amended) A nerve regeneration tube with a resorbable sidewall comprised of collagen material, the sidewall having a compact, smooth outer barrier surface so as to inhibit cell adhesion thereon and act as a barrier to